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Inventor/Owner: SCHNEIDER, James R.

For: A PRESERVED IMPLANTABLE VESSEL DERIVED FROM A HUMAN UMBILICAL CORD OR PLACENTA

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 1 sheet(s) of informal drawings.
  - ☐ An assignment of the invention to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - ☐ A certified copy of a \_\_\_\_\_ application.
  - ☐ \_\_\_\_\_ Specimens (2 minimum)
  - ☒ A Verified Statement to establish small entity status under CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.
  - ☒ Declaration/Statement and Power of Attorney.
  - ☒ Specification and Claims.
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